

The News.

England is rushing troops off to Germany and threatens Turkey with war. The Turks, however, will hardly fight the British Lion.

Robert Browning, the poet, aged 73, is about to re-marry.

William Maxwell Evarts, lawyer of New York City, farmer of Vermont, father of eleven children will succeed E. C. Lapham in the U. S. Senate on March 4th.

Stockmen in Oregon have lost heavily, by recent snows and severe cold.

Senator Voorhees has been indorced by the Indiana Legislature for another term.

The Pope of Rome is reported severely ill. "How weak, how frail we mortals are."

Der Kaiser Wilhelm ist auch krank.

The annual report of the Department of Agriculture now in press, makes the record of the corn crop of 1884, 1,795,000,000 bushels, wheat nearly 513,000,000, and oats 583,000,000. These aggregates are the largest ever recorded.

A bill was introduced into the Minnesota Legislature providing against combinations conspiring to effect the value of cereals.

Bills were introduced into both branches of the legislature to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicants.

A cyclone Sunday night passed over the region fifty miles north of Montgomery, Alabama.

The cold weather prevailing in Ohio the past week, seems to have been pretty general throughout the U. S., except California.

A monument to commemorate the labors of David Brainerd the Missionary to the Indians, has been erected on the site of his log cabin in Warren Co., Pa., and dedicated by the students of Lafayette College.

A dispatch dated Jan. 21st, states that General Wolseley had an engagement with the Mahdi's forces, resulting in the defeat of the Mahdi. The battle lasted from one o'clock till five. The rebels lost 800 men and the English 65. The forces under the false Prophet fought as well disciplined soldiers and gave the British more trouble than they expected.

The United States confidently expects the cholera to reach her shores next year, and the seaboard cities are taking the matter in hand to prevent or modify the scourge as much as possible, by organizing sanitary societies with this end in view.

The Republican caucus of the Pennsylvania Legislature nominated J. Donald Cameron for U. S. Senator.

The residence of Louis Volhardt, of Wheeling, W. Va., was robbed of \$15,000 in bonds and \$1,000 in cash.

The Easton Hospital for Insane, at Kankakee, Ill., was destroyed by fire a week ago. Thirteen patients were burned to death, and the loss of property is \$75,000.

Mr. Webster Gillitt, of New York, proposes to attach a telephone to the Mackey-Bennett cable, when people on this side of the ocean will talk to people on the other side by word of mouth.

The Union Biblical Seminary of the United Brethren Church, is in debt to the amount of \$50,000. There are no receipts from tuition.

The papers report terrible avalanches in the French Department of the Hautes Alpes and Piedmont. Many lives have been lost and much property destroyed.

Miss Ida Wells, a colored lady of Tennessee, bought a first-class ticket and took her seat in a first-class car from which she was ordered and requested to take the car assigned to colored people, which was also the smoking car. Miss Ida is a lady of culture and refinement and did not prefer to ride with smokers of tobacco, and so the conductor ejected her from the train. For this indignity she sued the R. R. Company and was awarded \$500 damages.

Whenever a man acts as if he wants to be bought don't buy. It would be the poorest kind of an investment. A man that would sell himself is never worth buying.

The Brethren's Annual.

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College Notes.

During the past week we have had many exemplifications of the old saying "The wicked stand in slippery places."

H. Joseph Black, graduate of '84, is Principal of a seminary at Park City, Utah. He is in the employ of the M. E. Church of Utah.

The noon day prayer-meeting is still kept up by the students, and the Sunday-afternoon meetings are better attended than ever before.

Bear in mind that the the Spring term of Ashland College opens on Tuesday, March 17th, and we expect quite a number of students in who have been teaching during the winter.

F. Marion Plank, Class of '81, has resigned his position at Polk to accept the principalship of the Sixth Ward school of Akron. Marion is well worthy of the place and we wish him success.

The first number of the new volume of the College Record should have reached you ere this. Please notice the terms to subscribers, and remember that you must subscribe for it if you wish to receive it regularly.

Prof. J. W. Pike, of Philadelphia, delivered a course of five very interesting and highly instructive lectures on Geology and Paleontology in the Ashland Court House, beginning Tuesday evening Jan. 20th, and closing Saturday evening Jan. 24th, 1885. The lectures were so well received that the Professor has been asked to deliver another course in the near future. The Pierian society adjourned their meeting on Friday night that the members might attend the lecture.

REPORTER.

Does the College Reporter mean that all who were able to keep their equilibrium during the icy season should be classed among the wicked?—Ed.

PUBLISHERS' DEPARTMENT.

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Many of our patrons and agents, when writing letters of business, express themselves in very favorable words regarding the new size of the paper and its make-up. These words of approval are encouraging to us, because they are evidence that we have not greatly erred in judgment in deciding on what our people want in the form of a religious and church paper. It is a satisfaction to a master to have his servant do work for him in the way that he desires; and it is a pleasure to a servant to know that he is giving satisfaction to his master. Our brethren and well-wishers have not made many suggestions as to how the EVANGELIST shall be conducted; but seem to have left that to our judgment and the direction of divine grace. We hope we may be under the guidance of the Supreme Power, that we may do a good work in the name of the Lord; and in this we trust we shall have your earnest co-operation and valuable influence.

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Here is another strange letter:

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